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Dear Jim,

In August of 2005, the Leesburg Volunteer Fire Co. Inc. (L.V.F.C.) was contacted by the Peterson Companies concerning their development of the Crosstrail Development on the southern border of the Town of Leesburg. This contact was in response to the assessment made in July by L.V.F.C. Fire Chief M. Mantell that recommended and expressed a desire to place a Fire and Rescue Station within the Crosstrail development.

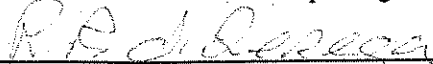
The Leesburg Vol. Fire Co. and the Loudoun County Volunteer Rescue Squad (L.C.V.R.S.) have for several years identified in their master plans, the future need of a station in the area of the Leesburg Airport. More recently, the Loudoun Department of Fire and Rescue has through the new service plan, adjusted their plan and identified the need to include a Fire and Rescue station in the area of the Leesburg Airport. The recent proposals of extensive development in the area have justified the serious consideration of a new station in the southern portion of Leesburg. ★

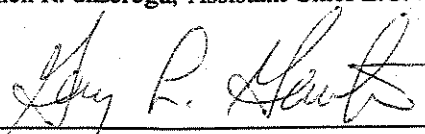
The recent renovation of Station 13 has maximized the utilization of the site on Catoctin Circle and the planned project at Station 1 will lessen the space available at that location for administrative and community functions. The Peterson Companies were provided with extensive Fire and Rescue station programmatic information that addressed the needs of both the L.V.F.C and the L.C.V.R.S. The information provided took in to account the requirements of running a volunteer organization, providing for career staff, community service needs, emergency equipment requirements for the type and density of the construction planned, as well as the proximity to the Leesburg Airport.


The Peterson Companies have been very responsive to the information provided, and have presented a proposal for the proffer of a site to accommodate the needs of Leesburg Fire and Loudoun Rescue. This site is identified as approximately 6 acres located in the southwest portion of the development and adjacent to the Leesburg Airport. This site is shown on their current proposal to the County (**Crosstrail (ZMAP 2005-0011)**) The Peterson Companies also presented an architectural concept of how the site could be utilized to meet the needs of both volunteer companies.

The Board of Directors of each volunteer company has reviewed the proposal presented by the Peterson Companies. The consensus being that proffering this site to the volunteer organizations will greatly enhance the level of public safety service to the community, due to its geographic location and size, as well as continued volunteer involvement in the Fire and Rescue system. The Leesburg Vol. Fire Co. and the Loudoun Co. Vol. Rescue Squad support the proposal of the proffer as presented, as the proposal provides for numerous viable and valuable options. The intention is to establish a joint Safety Center entity to accept and develop any such proffered land. Plans to recruit and train adequate volunteers to work with County personnel to support another station in the Leesburg area have been under development for almost a year to ensure that the best possible service is provided.

Thank you for consideration in this matter. Your continued support for the Fire and Rescue Volunteers is essential for the required growth of the system


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